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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: : GROUP: 2823
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AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

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**INTERIM WAIVER of 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(b)(1) FOR
PETITION TO ACCEPT BLACK & WHITE PHOTOGRAPHS**

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SIR:

Responsive to the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawings Review, dated November 10, 1999 Applicants request that the requirement for a Petition for Acceptance of Photographs be withdrawn. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(b)(1) as revised and published in the Official Gazette of August 4, 1998, petitions and/or petition fees are no longer required in order for the PTO to accept black and white photographs.

Applicants submit herewith TWO (2) sheets of Photographs for FIGS. 4A, 4B, 6A & 6B and FORTY NINE (49) sheets of Formal Drawings for FIGS. 1A - 1E, 2, 3A - 3D, 5, 7A - 7C, 8A, 8B, 9A, 9B, 10A - 10F, 11, 12A - 12C, 13A - 13D, 14A, 14B, 15A, 15B, 16A - 16H, 17A - 17C, 18, 19A, 19B, 20A - 20H, 21, 22, 23A, 23B, 24A - 24J, 25A, 25B, 26A, 26B, 27A, 27B, 28, 29A, 29B, 30, 31, 32, 33A, 33B, 34, 35A - 35H, 36A - 36C, 37A - 37I, 38A - 38C, 39A - 39I.



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